

HOUSE BILL 977
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-20-102, relative to the Tennessee Governmental Tort Liability Act in any county having a population of not less than eight hundred ninety-seven thousand four hundred (897,400) and not more than eight hundred ninety-seven thousand five hundred (897,500), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-20-102, is amended by designating present subdivision (3) as subdivision (3)(A), and by adding the following language as subdivision (3) (B):

(3) (B) In any county having a population not less than eight hundred ninety-seven thousand four hundred (897,400) and not more than eight hundred ninety-seven thousand five hundred (897,500), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, "governmental entity" means any political subdivision of the state of Tennessee including, but not limited to, any municipality, county, utility district, school district, nonprofit volunteer fire department receiving funds appropriated by a county legislative body or a legislative body of a municipality, human resource agency, public building authority, development district created and existing pursuant to the constitution

and laws of Tennessee, or any instrumentality of government created by any one (1) or more of the herein named local governmental entities or by an act of the general assembly, or nonprofit public benefit corporation operating a hospital whose voting board of directors (or governing body) is appointed, designated or elected by one (1) or more of the herein named local governmental entities, and which hospital corporation either:

- (i) Receives funds appropriated by a county legislative body or a legislative body of a municipality; or
 - (ii) Receives or leases real property from a county and/or municipality;
- and

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003, and shall apply to all claims filed after the effective date of this act, the public welfare requiring it.